

Mayor Rick Blangiardi

Commitment to Chinatown

Update – February 23, 2022

Focus

- **Commitment:** Beautify, revitalize and improve security in Chinatown
- **On-going commitment** made by Mayor and City departments

Agenda

- Introductions
 - Mayor
 - City Departments
 - Elected leaders
- History
- Reports by Departments
- Questions/Comments
- Conclusion

History

- “It’s about You”
 - Priority on listening
 - 90 Day Roadmap
 - Improved communications between the City and the public, with City leaders who engage directly with communities with a “can-do” attitude
 - Drive economic development and revitalization
 - Provide additional treatment options, including the service-resistant community on the streets with addiction and/or mental health issues
 - Chinatown spoke loudly and intently – a primal scream for help

CHINATOWN WORD CLOUD

Those words mentioned by at least 10 respondents are highlighted in blue. The more frequently the descriptor was used the larger it appears in the graphic below.

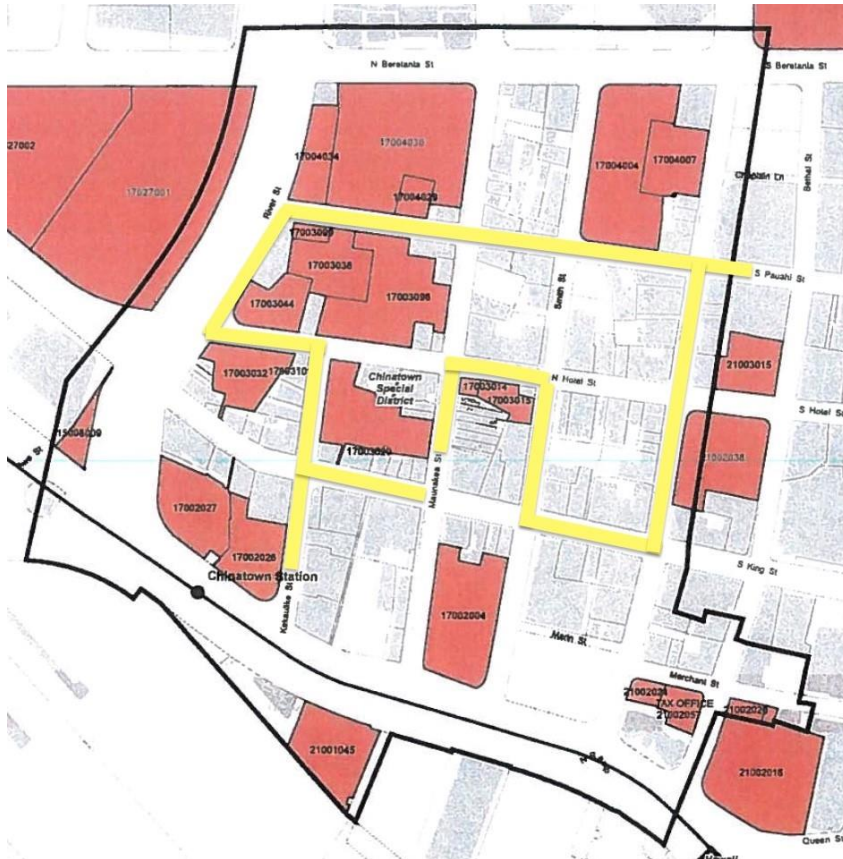


Q. When you think about 'A'ala Park / Chinatown neighborhood, what is the first word you would use to describe it?

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History

- Walk and Talk Chinatown – February 23, 2021
 - See conditions first-hand
 - Listen to residents/business owners



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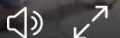
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Chinatown is the cultural heart of Honolulu, and we are going to give it the care and love it deserves to grow and thrive in the years to come. That's why I led key officials from my administration on a walk through Chinatown, to see first-hand what needs to be done.



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History

- Walk and Talk Chinatown – February 23, 2021
 - Met with members of Downtown Chinatown NB 13

Downtown-Chinatown Neighborhood Board Meeting MARCH 2021 Minutes

BOARD BUSINESS AND REPORTS Chair's Report: Lye reiterated that he had spoken with Mayor Blangiardi and Managing Director Michael Formby during the Mayor's walkabout on 23 February 2021 and that a commitment had subsequently been made for both to visit NB 13. Lye also made note of sundry postings and testimonies on the NB 13 online repository.

Informational Meeting Disclosure Safe Harbor: Carvalho, Shubert-Kwock, and Chair Lye had each independently attended or otherwise been involved with the Mayor's walkabout on 23 February 2021, but had not been collocated or discussed any matters related thereto. Armstrong and Chair Lye attended a meeting about security cameras in Chinatown with HPD, Department of Information Technology, and CM Fukunaga on 2 March 2021.

History

- Mayor delivers State of the City – March 15, 2021
 - Public commitment to revitalize Chinatown

Honolulu Mayor Rick Blangiardi delivers first 'State of the City' address



Chinatown

Another focus of the Blangiardi campaign is the [revitalization of Chinatown](#).

“We have made plans to make a ‘new’ Chinatown that we can all be proud of,” the mayor began.

“We already have projects planned that will improve lighting, repave roadways and fix areas that are prone to flooding,” he continued.

The mayor said he had more to say about his ideas for the downtown area, but that he would “leave it at that.”

by: Mariya Parkhomchuk

Posted: Mar 15, 2021 / 12:00 PM HST / Updated: Mar 15, 2021 / 04:49 PM HST



History

- City departments prepare draft list of projects – March 2021
- MD Formby provides the Chinatown Lions Club a preview of potential projects/commitments



The image shows a Facebook post from the Honolulu Chinatown Lions Club and a promotional graphic for an upcoming event. The Facebook post, dated March 15, 2021, welcomes everyone to a General Membership Meeting (GMM) on Thursday, March 25th at 7:00PM via Zoom. Below the post is a blue promotional graphic. The graphic features the text 'Honolulu Chinatown Lions Club welcomes GUEST SPEAKER' in white. A white box contains the name 'Mike Formby' in blue, with 'Managing Director' below it. To the right of the text is a portrait of Mike Formby, a man with white hair and a blue shirt. At the bottom left of the graphic is the Lions Club International logo, and at the bottom right, it says 'Thursday, MAR 25 2021 via Zoom, 7PM Start' in white.

Honolulu Chinatown Lions Club
Mar 15, 2021 · 🌐

Welcoming ALL to our upcoming GMM on Thursday, March 25th at 7:00PM via ... See More

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welcomes **GUEST SPEAKER**

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Managing Director

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History

- Mayor attends Downtown Chinatown NB 13 with list of projects – May 7, 2021
 - Makes public commitment to relocate public feeding outside Chinatown

Mayor tells Chinatown he's got a big 'to do' list for the area



By Ben Gutierrez
Updated: May. 7, 2021 at 12:21 PM HST

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"A core outreach and providing services — and some tough love, because that's what has to happen," Blangiardi responded.

The mayor also had a long "to-do" list, which was distributed to attendees.

They include future projects to have more security cameras, improve parks and have more community walks. His administration is also in continued negotiations to have the River of Life Mission move its homeless feeding services out of Chinatown.

"They're in the same position that we are, they would like to move their public feeding service to Iwilei from Chinatown, and we hope to deliver that to the community as soon as possible," city Managing Director Mike Formby told the gathering. "We're committed."

History

- Groundbreaking on Halewaiolu Senior Residences – June 8, 2021
 - \$93.3M, 17 story, 156 one and two bedroom affordable housing units



History

- Mayor and HPD announce law enforcement task force – July 2021
 - 24 hours a day, River to Bishop, North Beretania to North King Streets

Honolulu

Honolulu Plans To Increase Police Patrols To Improve Safety In Chinatown

The plan is to provide around-the-clock police coverage in the downtown district, but Mayor Rick Blangiardi's administration gave few details.

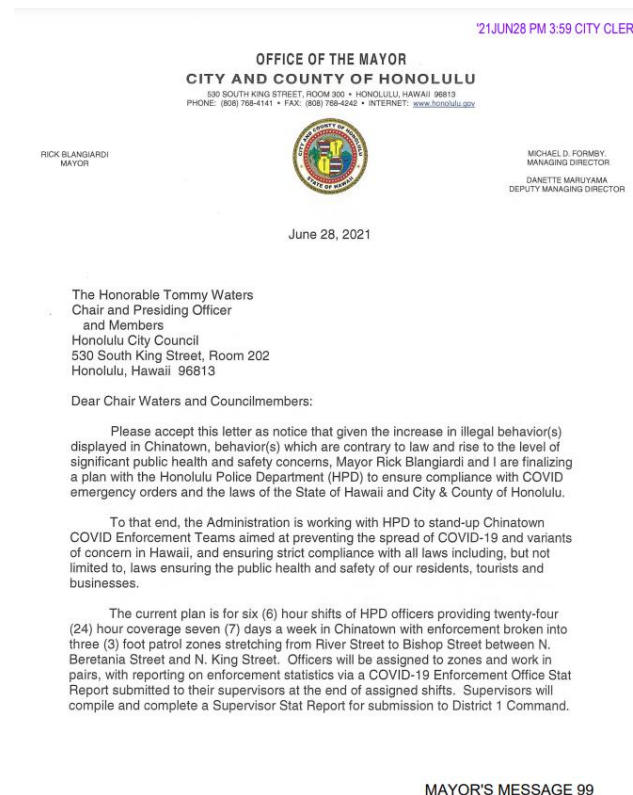
By Cassie Ordonio / July 1, 2021

Reading time: 5 minutes.



Honolulu police will begin patrolling Chinatown 24/7 under a new plan by the city to crack down on illegal activity that local residents say has increased due to an influx of homeless people during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The city is working with the Honolulu Police Department to finalize the details, including when the initiative would begin, according to a [letter sent to the Honolulu City Council](#) earlier this week.



History

- Chinatown Clean Up – August 14, 2021
 - Chinese Chamber of Commerce and community volunteers

Community gathers to clean up Chinatown in Honolulu

6 months ago



HONOLULU (KHON2) — Honolulu Mayor Rick Blangiardi joined hundreds of volunteers to help clean up Chinatown on Saturday, Aug. 14.

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Along with picking up litter from city sidewalks and roads, the volunteers also painted over graffiti on parking meters, mailboxes, utility boxes and more.

The effort was organized by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.



History

- Weed & Seed Recommitment – September 8, 2021
 - With Honolulu Prosecuting Attorney Steve Alm

Honolulu



Honolulu Mayor Vows To 'Play Tough' On Crime In Chinatown

Mayor Rick Blangiardi and Prosecuting Attorney Steve Alm headlined a fundraiser to bolster the Weed and Seed program.



By Lauren Teruya / July 15, 2021
🕒 Reading time: 3 minutes.



Honolulu Mayor Rick Blangiardi wants the Honolulu Police Department to feel empowered to enforce the law to create a safer Chinatown community.

Speaking at a luncheon fundraiser Thursday for [Weed and Seed Hawaii](#), the mayor said his administration's initiative to [increase police presence in Chinatown](#) began this week to help restore community trust.

"On the illegal behaviors, we're going to play tough — really tough," Blangiardi said.



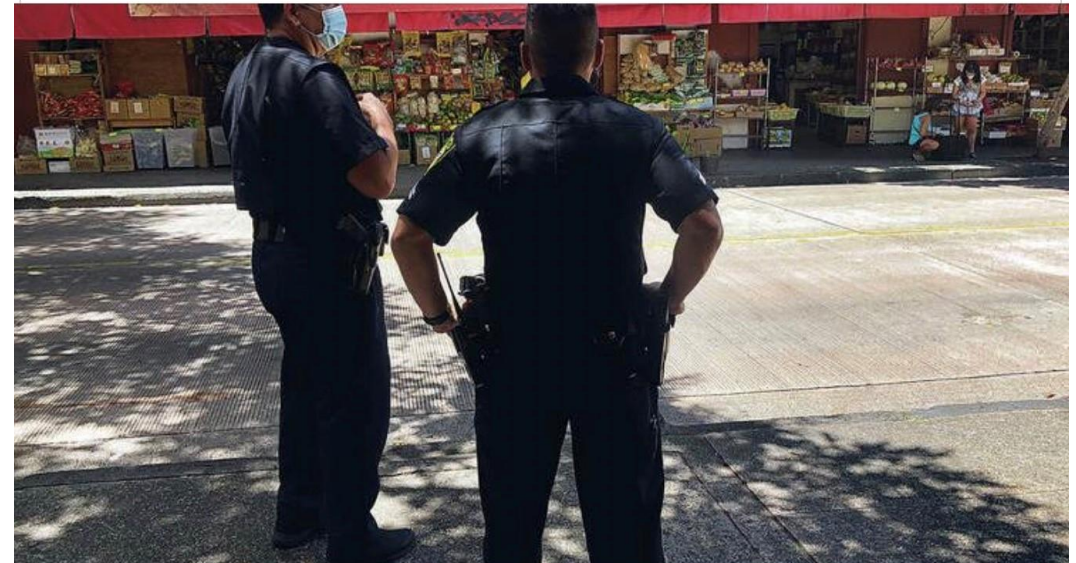
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Weed and Seed program sees 74 arrests in Chinatown area

In the two months since the city brought back Weed and Seed, a once-federal program mea...

History

- CORE – October 8, 2021
 - Crisis Outreach Response and Engagement

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Honolulu's new homeless Crisis Outreach Response and Engagement program is expected to begin in 2 weeks

By [Ashley Mizuo](#) • Oct. 8, 2021



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History

- OCCSR Pilot Food Waste Project in Chinatown – November 2021
 - USDA grant announces two-year project to reduce organic waste

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Environment

Here's How Honolulu's Climate Office Is Tackling Food Waste

The Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency has big plans for a small \$90,000 grant, starting with a pilot project in Chinatown.

By Lauren Teruya    14

November 12, 2021

🕒 Reading time: 5 minutes.

An estimated [237,000 tons of food](#) — worth more than \$1 billion — is wasted every year on Oahu, thrown out by restaurants and individual households. Organic matter is the largest contributor overfilling landfills on Hawaii's most populous island, making up 36% of the total waste.

Deputy director Nicola Hedge announced during a meeting last week that the U.S. Department of Agriculture had awarded the climate office a \$90,000 grant to back a composting and food waste reduction program in Chinatown starting in January.



Chinatown Hawaiian Market, a small grocery store in the heart of Chinatown, sells fresh produce and packaged goods.

The city also has promised \$22,500 in addition to the grant money, and nonprofits Aloha Harvest, Sustainable Coastlines Hawaii and Zero Waste Oahu will contribute in-kind donations, bringing the overall project cost total to about \$200,000.

History

- Extend HPD Law Enforcement Task Force into 2022 – December 2021
 - Plan exit strategy including no public feeding and replacement of security cameras



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HPD says 20 of the city's security cameras in Chinatown don't work

Twenty out of 26 security cameras in the Chinatown area are not working, HPD said.

Reports by Departments

- Same order as commitments presented to the Chinatown community
 - DPR, DTS, DDC, DLM, DFM, HOU, HPD, MOCA
 - Completed work/projects
 - 2022 (in-progress)

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<p>Pavers in pedestrian malls will be repaired and the tree roots causing uplifts will be trimmed and reset.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DPR and DFM removed pavers at lower end of Fort Street Mall, cut back tree roots, built larger tree wells to reduce uplifted areas, and replaced pavers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departments will be coordinating work at next site in front of Walmart
<p>Pavers will be washed and lines maintained; Parks will be maintained.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yellow lines on Kekaulike Mall were painted October 26 & 27, 2021• Parks and Malls are cleaned daily on the following schedule<ul style="list-style-type: none">• M-F 3:30 am – 12:00 pm; Weekends 6:30 am – 3:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yellow lines on Kekaulike Mall scheduled for routine repainting in April 2022

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<p>Chinatown Gateway Parking & Marin Tower will receive municipal parking facility improvements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Obtained Council approval to enter into longer term concession contracts enabling the City to require concessionaire initiated improvements as part of the contracting process	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will seek new longer term concessions in additional City-owned public garages in Chinatown
<p>Kekaulike Street (Mall) improvements for storm water management, trees and pavers, with lighting and wayfinding signage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental Assessment (EA) for Kekaulike Mall and Kekaulike Street improvements was completed. Phase 1 from Hotel Street to King Street is 80% complete; Phase 2 from King Street to Nimitz Highway is 30% complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phase 1 design will be completed in early 2022. Phase 1 Construction is expected to start in July 2022 and complete by Dec 2022• Phase 2 will be completed in 2023. Phase 2 Construction is TBD dependent on rail construction schedule
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<p>Rehabilitation of Streets Project (12 Streets) and Pauahi Street Curb Extensions completed by the third quarter of 2021.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rehabilitation of streets 12D – Alakea St, Bethel St, Chaplain Lane, Kekaulike St, Queen St, Marin St, Maunakea St, Merchant St, Mililani St, Nuuanu St, Pauahi St, Smith St.• Resurfacing and reconstruction of asphalt concrete pavements• Adjustment of utility manholes• Pavement markings and vehicle loop detectors• Reconstruction of existing concrete curb and/or gutters• Construction of concrete bus pads• Tree stump removals; and• Installation of signs and bike lane facilities• Curb extension with permeable pavers and bollards at three intersections along Pauahi Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project is substantially complete less punch list:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Several signs (Feb '22),- Minor crack and asphalt repairs (Feb '22),- Striping and bike lane delineators (TBD).• Corrective actions to repair bollards, foundations and reflective striping damaged by vehicles and vandalism is in progress. Permanent repair required a re-design. Work will commence in Mar '22.
<p>Rehabilitation of Hotel Street</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planning and Design phase bid in late FY23
<p>Security cameras and access controls for Chinatown Police Station..</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Security camera project in planning

DDC

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Chinatown HPD station energy efficiency and service upgrades	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Considering PV system on historic building• LED Lighting• Replacement of chiller and air handler• Building Automation for HVAC system• Water and sewer conservation measures
<p>Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park remodel design and bidding completed. Statue relocated to new plinth and made centerpiece with uplights. New ornamental fence complete. Will add chain-link on NW side. Courtyard will be colored concrete with heavy rock salt finish. New landscaping. New Irrigation system. New area light poles.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Park is currently closed• HAZMAT issues and disposal resolved, permits in progress. Work restarts in 2nd Qtr 2022. Estimated completion Sep 2022

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<p>Continue negotiations with River of Life to relocate homeless feeding services to Iwilei.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TBD
<p>Oversee construction of Halewaiolu, 156 senior affordable units</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolved obstacles in the Development Agreement to facilitate execution and groundbreaking on Halewaiolu Senior Residences, a 156-unit affordable housing project for kupuna in Chinatown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to monitor project
<p>Manage the City-owned commercial assets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance the Historic Chinatown District by soliciting a lease for a cultural arts facility within Chinatown Gateway Plaza 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refine Request for Bids for issuance in early 2022

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Street Sweeping: Twice a day (pending avail. resources), 5 days/wk	• Continue
Sidewalk Power Washing: 3 days a week (M,W,F)	• Continue
Trash Pickup: Daily	• Continue
Gutter Clearing/Manual Sweeping: Daily	• Continue
Stored Property Ordinance (SPO): Weekly	• Continue
Spot Sanitizing: as needed, pending resource availability	• Continue
Limited grass cutting: along sidewalk areas and tree wells	• Continue
Maintenance of Chinatown street lights, Chinatown Police Substation and common portions of the Dan Liu Building (i.e. elevator, janitorial, etc.): As needed	• Continue
COMPLETED CIP CONSTRUCTION PROJECT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reconstructed a catch basin with automatic retractable screens (ARS) at the corner of N. Beretania and Maunakea Street fronting the Honolulu Tower Condominium property to address odor related complaints coming from the City's storm drains Installation of new box drain at the Nuuanu Stream outfall along River Street and included an inline tideflex valve to prevent tidal waters from coming up the affected drain line that contributed to the odor problems 	• See next slide
Median crew cares for areas along Nuuanu Stream, between Kukui and Vineyard Blvd	• Continue
Assisted Eddie Flores with repainting of Chinatown Gates	• Continue



DFM

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Completion of curbing around tree wells

Continued coordination of repairs along Fort Street Mall with DPR

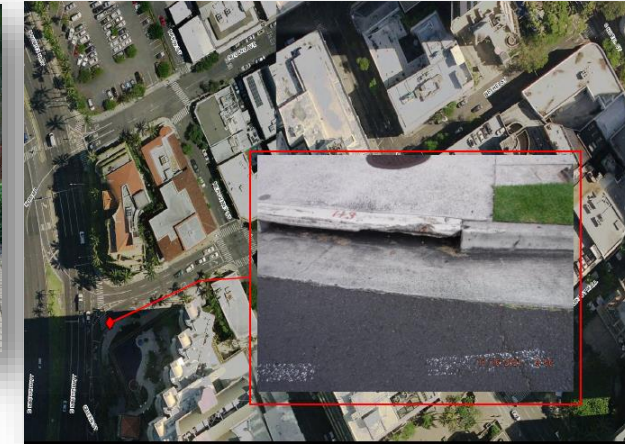
CIP Construction Project to **repair damaged catch basins and manholes** in Downtown-Chinatown Area starts in first half of 2022. Repaired catch basins will be retrofitted to install automatic retractable screens (ARS) to prevent larger debris and trash from entering the City's drain system

CIP Construction Project to **install an underground baffle box** along N. School Street to comply with the City's MS4 Trash Reduction Plans currently in final design. Project scheduled to be bid in 2022.

Replace old street light fixtures with new energy-efficient LED lights

Inspect and repair sidewalks, as needed

Potential Malama o Ka Aina and/or Storm Water Quality community service events



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<p>Conduct a Chinatown community survey, including the upgraded usage of ‘A’ala Park, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A total of 412 surveys were collected from June 24 – July 1, 2021. Questions focused on respondent perceptions, quality of life, and area problems/issues. Respondents favored the ‘A’ala Park/Chinatown neighborhood because of its restaurants (39%), walkability (38%), and local businesses (38%). Major areas of concern identified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents living on the street unsheltered (85%) Lack of public restrooms (78%) Crime and violence (66%) The level of support for a Kauhale (village) Community in ‘A’ala Park was also favorable: 46% strongly support and 41% somewhat support. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TBD
<p>Participate in community walks with business owners and residents to understand and identify specific concerns.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> City administration staff regularly engage with residents and business owners by participating in clean ups, homelessness outreach and placement, and in educating business owners and residents on the City’s financial assistance programs, such as the Rental and Utility Relief program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TBD

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COMPLETED IN 2021	IN PROGRESS to JUNE 2022 and BEYOND
<p>Work with ASB and the Trust for Public Lands on an upgraded usage of 'A'ala Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">HOU will continue to work on alternate usage of 'A'ala Park
<p>CORE (Crisis Outreach Response & Engagement) is a new and additional option to address the homeless on the streets of Chinatown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">In operation under HESD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Soft launch in Fall 2021 focused on Chinatown and downtown Honolulu, including Waikiki.CORE conducts daily walks to assess, treat, provide transportation, and find shelter for non-emergency calls.CORE has encountered 33 clients between December 2021 and present; 16 clients were provided treatment and shelter. The remaining 17 either declined assistance or remain hesitant to participate in services.

HOU



Honolulu Police Department (HPD)

- Work with the Chief of Police/Interim Chief on a sustained, increased level of law enforcement presence on the streets of Chinatown.
- Seek increased commitment to enforcement against illegal activity in Chinatown.
- Seek increased activation of the Chinatown HPD Substation.

SAFETY – Weed and Seed Program

WEED AND SEED	Misdemeanor	Felony
Total Cases Referred	71	121
Total Cases Refused	13	8
Total Cases Under Review	2	6
Total Cases Charged	56	107
Total Geographical Restrictions Granted	3	2
Total Cases Where Deft Was Transient at Time of Arrest	45 (only 1 active)	91
WEED AND SEED IS A CONTINUAL EFFORT BY THE PROSECUTORS OFFICE & HPD		

COMPLETED IN 2021 - CCPTF HPD	IN PROGRESS JANUARY to MARCH 2022
Chinatown COVID-19 Prevention Task Force (CCPTF) - addressed spread of COVID-19 and provided community outreach, law enforcement and Weed and Seed	HPD Chinatown COVID Task Force will continue with Enforcement Team 7 days/24 hours presence in Chinatown and Weekly Outreach with community partners.
Weed and Seed Program started July 2021 in District 1 and District 5	Total 200 Weed and Seed Arrests (112 Felony/88 Misdemeanor) and 189 cases were in Chinatown/District 1 as of 2/13/22

SECURITY – HPD CCPTF

From July to December 2021

- 21,950 warnings (Including Mayor's rules, Sit/Lie, and Traffic Enforcement).
- Issued 1077 citations (Various offenses including Sit/Lie, Prohibition, and Pedestrian Enforcement).
- Conducted 150 arrests (Arrests include Dangerous Drugs, Warrants, and Misc. other cases).
- 95 Residentially Challenged Persons (RCP) were referred to HONU by CCPTF officers.
- 3696 business contacts & 2261 personal contacts were conducted that resulted in 177 services provided.
- Conducted 13 community COVID-19 events w/Queens, HPH and ASB – 661 vaccinations provided.
- 4426 COVID-19 Rapid Testing Tests provided to community by HPD / HING.
- Noticeable improvement across several categories of reported offenses:
 - 60% decrease in the number of miscellaneous crimes reported.
 - Due to the additional HPD presence, 32% increase in warrant arrests and a 86% increase in the number of Drug/Narcotic cases that HPD has investigated.

SAFETY / SECURITY - HPD

MONTHLY AVERAGE CRIME STATS COMPARISON

January 1, 2021, to June 30, 2021	July 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021	Percentage Change
Burglary: 6.5	Burglary: 5.0	23% decrease
Liquor Law: 19.1	Liquor Law: 15.6	18% decrease
Misc Crime: 90.5	Misc Crime: 36.5	60% decrease
Robbery: 9	Robbery: 7.5	17% decrease
Threatening: 7	Threatening: 4.8	31% decrease
UEMV: 18	UEMV: 15.6	13% decrease
Warrant Arrests: 14.8	Warrant Arrests: 19.5	32% increase
Drug/Narcotics: 10.6	Drug/Narcotics: 19.8	86% increase

CHINATOWN COVID-19 PREVENTION TASK FORCE					
WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT					
DATES	July 12, 2021/Shift B	TO			December 31, 2021/Shift D
COVID-19 Programs		Interested/Referred	Already Done	Service Provided	Report # / Comment
DOH	COVID Test	2690	1855	248	
DOH	Vaccine	3388	5529	336	
Outreach Programs		Interested/Referred	Service Provided	Report # / Comment	
OR	Contact	2103	197		
OR	HONU	3751	95		
OR	MH Referral	54	4		
OR	MH1 Exam	14	4		
OR	Clean Referral	731	13		
Business / Personal		Conducted	Service Provided	Report # / Comment	
PR	Personal Contact	2261	84		
PR	Business Contact	3696	93		
Enforcement		Warning	Citation	Arrest	Report # / Comment
Enforce	Mayor Rule	495	6		
Enforce	Sit/Lie	9359	92		
Enforce	Urination/Defecation	371	39	1	
Enforce	Prohibition: Alcohol	662	65	2	
Enforce	Pedestrian Enforcement	5082	89		
Enforce	Bicycle Enforcement	746	7		
Enforce	Traffic Enforcement	3338	526	4	
Enforce	Parking Enforcement	943	169		
Enforce	Misc. Other Cases	915	84	33	
Enforce	Dangerous Drugs 3rd	14		51	
Enforce	Warrants	25		59	
		21950	1077	150	

DISTRICT ONE CHINATOWN OUTREACH - HPD

- HPD Chinatown Outreach project started on Sept 28, 2021 as the part of Chinatown COVID-19 Prevention Task Force
- Build trust and relationships in controlled and safe environment for service providers and demonstrate a compassionate approach to law enforcement
- This effort was initiated to help the homeless and RCP's with various outreach services:
 - Shelter
 - HONU
 - COVID-19 prevention, distribution of face masks, personal hygiene kits, and medical services
- Partnerships were formed with Hawaii Health & Harm Reduction Center (H3RC), Institute for Human Services (IHS), and other established outreach social providers to provide joint night time outreach operations
- Several areas of concern, including Pauahi Street, along River Street, and near Sun Yat-Sen Mall which were a magnet for drug dealing and RCP's have been transformed due to the increased HPD presence/enforcement and outreach efforts.

HPD Graffiti Removal



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Report Graffiti

The Honolulu Police Department operates a Graffiti Hotline to enable the public to report graffiti on both public and private property. The Community Affairs Division monitors the hotline and disseminates that information to the district patrol commands for action.

To report graffiti, call the HPD Graffiti Hotline at (808)723-3475. You can also e-mail us by [clicking here](#).

Other Contacts

GRAFFITI CLEAN-UP ASSISTANCE	PHONE #
Bus shelters (TheBus)	(808)848-5555 ext 3
Drainage canals (Dept of Facilities Maintenance)	(808)768-3622
Parks (Dept. of Parks and Recreation)	(808)768-3003
Sidewalks & streets (Dept. of Facilities Maintenance)	(808)768-3622
State highway facilities (Dept. of Transportation)	(808)831-6714



Aloha

HPD, Weed and Seed Hawaii, Chinese Chambers of Commerce, and Chinatown Business can team up together to help paint out Chinatown in celebration of the new lunar year.

We will be concentrating on: Maunakea St., Meter boxes in Chinatown, Chinatown Bridge, and touch up Kekaulike Mall.

Chu Lan can we get help with permission from the public parking lot areas to paint over the graffiti. I have already secured See Yup Society 1153 Maunakea St. verbal I still waiting for it in writing via email. We need it in writing that we have permission to paint over the graffiti from the business owner/building owner.

We wanted to paint the public parking lot along maunakea st. the 3 public parking lots, but the graffiti is on the building and we need the buildings permission. Chu Lan with your contact we might be able to get their permission.

Aloha
Scott



Chinatown

Graffiti Clean Up



Saturday, February 26, 2022

9 am to noon

Meet @ Union Mall



**Come Join HPD!
Clean Up Graffiti
in Chinatown**



For more information contact District 1: CPT 723-3927



Mayor's Office of Culture and Arts (MOCA)

- Create distinct and visible wayfinding boundaries for Chinatown.
- Leverage technology to stimulate economic opportunities.
- Make Chinatown safe, family-friendly, and walkable.

MOCA

COMPLETED IN 2021	IN PROGRESS to JUNE 2022 and BEYOND
<p>Create distinct and visible wayfinding boundaries for Chinatown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We explored installing public art (murals, painting traffic boxes and bike racks/bus benches) in Chinatown but because of the very stringent Special District rules, both DPP and SHPD have advised us against it. There are existing public art installations which violate the Special District rules and should be considered for removal. We have pivoted to installing public art on the periphery of the Special District. The first one will be located in Fort Street Mall and is still in the initial planning and approval stage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next step is to secure funding and solicit artist proposals.
<p>Leverage technology to stimulate economic opportunities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working with the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA) and OER on a digital map that links to historical information on the area (functions like a walking tour), with additional capabilities to link to restaurant reservations and ticket sales – we will pilot this project in Chinatown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work continues on the digital map
<p>Make Chinatown safe, family-friendly, and walkable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have partnered with Hawai'i Arts Alliance to solicit NEA funding for a series of family-friendly events and street festivals.• Worked with the Creative City on the Chinatown Riverwalk Arts Festival (canceled due to COVID)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will continue to explore ways to activate public spaces in Chinatown and protect existing art through conservation work in Chinatown.

MOCA



Next Steps

- ROL
- CM Fukunaga – Resolution 22-32: Proposing an Amendment to Chapter 21, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 (The Land Use Ordinance), Relating to the Chinatown Special District
 - Attachment A: Bill proposing “A minor special district permit is required for the distribution of food on the public sidewalk.”
- Security cameras
- Smith- Beretania Park – look for ways to activate use of the park
- 2022 Chinatown Walk (March/April 2022)
 - New list of projects
- DCS Affordable Housing Solicitation

- Questions/Comments

- Conclusion